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Monthly Summary
of

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

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STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For APRIL 1966
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons			
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured		
						Total	a	b
Motor Vehicle								
1. Ran off road	245	6	115	124	8	192	85	55
2. Overturned on road	12	1	6	5	1	8	5	3
3. Pedestrian	18	2	16		2	16	4	10
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	530	3	140	387	3	237	48	109
5. Parked motor vehicle	113		21	92		25	6	14
6. Railroad train								
7. Bicyclist	9		9			9	2	6
8. Animal	31		2	29		3		2
9. Fixed object	96	3	22	71	5	31	13	15
10. Other object	1		1			1	1	
11. Other non-collision								
12. Misc.	4	1		3	1			
Totals	1059	16	332	711	20	522	159	147

SUMMARY OF Statewide ACCIDENTS

Locally reportable accidents are those involving bodily injury or property damage of

\$ 100.00 or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

AUGUST 30, 1966

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2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Motor Vehicle										
1. Ran off road	206	5	141	823	15	493	964	18	516	- 17
2. Overturned on road	9	1	9	29	2	19	36	2	23	NC
3. Pedestrian	22	3	19	66	7	61	70	4	68	+ 75
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	599	6	256	2942	27	1030	3191	34	981	- 26
5. Parked motor vehicle	100		20	429	2	75	448	1	50	+100
6. Railroad train	2		2	12	3	15	18	1	8	+200
7. Bicyclist	2		2	15		15	5	1	4	+INF
8. Animal	38		2	117	1	7	124		12	-100
9. Fixed object	79		35	419	15	170	317	1	126	+07
10. Other object	5			4		3	11	1	2	-100
11. Other non-collision	3		1	1			3		1	NC
12. Misc.	4			13	2	3	10		2	-100
Totals	1069	15	487	4870	74	1891	5197	64	1793	+ 16

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	74	64	+16
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	1050	981	+07
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	7.1	6.5	+09
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	5.2	5.3	-02
5. Fatal Accidents	55	52	+06

3 LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies Tangible, railway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents			Number of Persons			Number of Accidents			Number of Persons		
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000	69		12	57		16						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	92	1	23	68	1	30						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	104	2	28	74	2	35						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	251		72	179		93						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7. Total urban	516	3	135	378	3	174						
1. Controlled access highway	15	1	10	4	1	19						
2. State routes & US	315	9	122	184	11	228						
3. County routes	213	3	65	145	5	101						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	543	13	197	333	17	348						
Total urban and rural	1059	16	332	711	20	522						

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Fast-stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
	Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning	
0. Midnight	42		4		5		2		2		8		12		9			
1. 1:00	37	1	4		4		6		1		3		11	1	7			
2. 2:00	35	1	3		1		1		7		5		12		6	1		
3. 3:00	18		1		2				2		2		7		4			
4. 4:00	13		1				1		2		3		3		3			
5. 5:00	12		1				1		1		1		3		5			
6. 6:00	10		4		1		1		2		1		1		1			
7. 7:00	35		2		6		6		5		9		4		3			
8. 8:00	34		2		8		5		1		12		5		1			
9. 9:00	32	1	5		7		3		5		3		8	1	1			
10. 10:00	41		4		3		3		4		7		15		5			
11. 11:00	30		4		5		3		3		5		7		3			
12. Noon	54		5		8		8		11		7		13		2			
13. 1:00	49		7		7		5		8		4		11		7			
14. 2:00	51		5		6		7		10		9		9		5			
15. 3:00	62	2	6		8		6		12		14	1	11	1	5			
16. 4:00	77	1	11		9		12		14		14	1	9		8			
17. 5:00	73	1	12		13		7		10		14		8	1	9			
18. 6:00	50	2	7		7		7	1	6		9		8	1	6			
19. 7:00	53	3	6		6	1	9		8		9	1	9	1	6			
20. 8:00	73		11		3		8		8		15		17		11			
21. 9:00	68	2	7		6		5		11		12	1	20		7	1		
22. 10:00	58	1	2		8	1	4		11		12		19		2			
23. 11:00	52	1	6		6		3		1		18	1	16		2			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	1059	16	120		129	2	113	1	146		195	5	238	6	118	2		

3 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1 0 to 4										10	4	6	2	1	1			
2 5 to 9										28	14	14	7	3	4	7	5	2
3 10 to 14										17	11	6	2		2			
4 15 to 19										123	79	44	1		1			
5 20 to 24										93	65	28	1		1			
6 25 to 34										94	57	37	1	1				
7 35 to 44										58	40	18						
8 45 to 54										41	24	17						
9 55 to 64										32	20	12	1		1			
10 65 to 74										20	8	12	1	1				
11 75 & older										6	6							
12 Not stated																		
Totals	20	15	5	2	2					522	328	194	16	6	10	9	7	2

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Facing of angle	177		46	131
2a. From same direction - both going straight	8		2	6
b. Same - one turn, one straight	19		3	16
c. Same - one stopped	28		13	15
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	1		1	
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	44		10	34
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	277		74	203

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	39	1	15	23
2. Going same direction - both moving	91	2	25	64
3a. One car parked	113		21	92
b. One car stopped in traffic	75		22	53
4a. One car entering parked position	3			3
b. One car leaving parked position	18		1	17
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	13		3	10
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	20		1	19
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	372	3	88	281

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Car going straight	20	2		18	10
2. Car turning right	1			1	1
3. Car turning left					
4. Car backing					
5. All others					
6. Not stated					
Totals	21	2		19	11

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Collision with	1		1	
2. Fixed object in road	10		2	8
3. Obstructed road	1		1	
4. Left road	10		4	6
5. Non-motor vehicle - from bicycle etc.	5		5	
6. Fixed object in road	86		20	64
7. Obstructed in road	12	2	4	6
8. At curve	93	4	46	43
9. Straight road	137	2	65	70
10. Ped from moving vehicle				
11. All others	34	1	3	30
12. Not stated				
Totals	389	11	151	227

7 PEDESTRIAN ACTION BY AGE	Age of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway at intersection	6		2		1	1		1		
b. Same - not at intersection	1	18	2	12	2		1	1		
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic	1			1						
b. Same - against traffic										
3. Standing in roadway										
4. Getting on or off other vehicle										
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway										
6. Other working in roadway	1	1			1					
7. Playing in roadway	1			1						
8. Other in roadway										
9. Not in roadway										
10. Not stated										
Totals	2	27	2	14	4	2	1	2	1	

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	42	1	8
2. 16	75		22
3. 17	98	2	25
4. 18 to 19	163	2	55
5. 20 to 24	302	3	83
6. 25 to 34	289	3	109
7. 35 to 44	240	4	75
8. 45 to 54	188	4	46
9. 55 to 64	118	1	36
10. 65 to 74	63		17
11. 75 & older	30		9
12. Not stated	5		2
Totals	1613	20	487

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1531	16	441
2. Passenger car and trailer	1		
3. Truck or truck tractor	150	3	44
4. Truck tractor and semitrailer	15	1	5
5. Other truck combination	27		14
6. Farm tractor and/or farm coup	2		1
7. Tractor	6		3
8. Bus	3		1
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	12		11
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle	2		2
12. Others and not stated	3		2
Totals	1752	20	524

Special vehicles included

- Emergency (including privately owned)
- Military vehicles
- Other publicly owned vehicles

13 ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	847	14	266
2. Wet	139	2	43
3. Snowy or icy	70		22
4. Other	3		1
5. Not stated			
Totals	1059	16	332

14 KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Buildup	516	3	135
2. Not buildup	543	13	197
3. Not stated			
Totals	1059	16	332

15 LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	596	8	190
2. Dawn or dusk	47	1	8
3. Darkness	416	7	134
4. Not stated			
Totals	1059	16	332

Contributing Circumstances (Table)

11 CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	281	1	114
2. Failed to yield right of way	124		21
3. Drove left of center	32	1	7
4. Improper overtaking	9		2
5. Passed stop sign	16		3
6. Driveway too close			
7. Followed too closely	33		12
8. Made improper turn	16		3
9. Other improper driving	8		3
10. Inadequate brakes	7		3
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	33	7	12
Totals	549	9	180

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF STATEWIDE ACCIDENTS

PERIOD APRIL - 1966

Weather		All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated				
2. Clear		810	11	255
3. Raining		58		20
4. Snowing		95	1	28
5. Fog		2		
6. Other		94	4	29
Total		1059	16	332

Character of Road		All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated				
2. Straight road—level		787	9	228
3. Straight road—hillcrest		15		7
4. Straight road—on grade		125	2	45
5. Straight road—not stated				
6. Curve—level		63	2	21
7. Curve—hillcrest		6		3
8. Curve—on grade		44	2	23
9. Curve—not stated		19	1	5
Total		1059	16	332

Occupation of Driver		All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man		172	2	64
2. Farmers or farm laborers		87		24
3. Students		343	5	102
4. Sales persons		60	1	19
5. Commercial drivers		92	3	32
6. Military personnel		37		9
7. Housewives & domestic servants		206	1	55
8. Retired & pensioners		65		16
9. All other workers		551	8	166
Total		1613	20	487

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training		All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated				
2. Received classroom training in school		987	19	325
3. Received behind the wheel training		21		3
4. Received both classes of training		99	1	33
5. No driver training				
Total		1117	20	368

Driver Sobriety		All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated				
2. HBD—obviously drunk		24	1	5
3. HBD—ability impaired		19	1	8
4. HBD—ability not impaired		54	6	25
5. HBD—not known if impaired		34	1	7
6. Had not been drinking		74		32
7. Not known if drinking		844	7	264
Total		1117	4	27

Road Defects		All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated				
2. Defective shoulders		4		3
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps		12		4
4. Loose material on surface		33	2	6
5. Under construction or repair		9		6
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet				
7. Other		5		2
8. No defects		681	14	239
Total		744	16	260

Seat Belt Information		All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated				
2. Equipped with in use		41	4	7
3. Equipped with not in use		124	1	31
4. Not equipped with		229	5	65
Total		723	10	265
1. Not stated				
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.		1117	20	368
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury		194	7	47
4. SB did not or could not have helped		180	6	115
Total		65		22
Total		1117	7	184

Additional Accident Facts		All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV		612	12	206
2. Accidents not involving a HMV		128	4	53
3. Not stated		4		1
Total		744	16	260
1. Not stated				
2. Exceeding stated speed limit		82	2	25
3. Exceeding safe speed limit		147	8	71
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit		29		9
5. No speed violation		859	10	263
Total		1117	20	368
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination		11		7
2. Hit & run accidents		2		1

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	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	10		3	7		3		1	2
2. Overturned on road	2		2			2		1	1
3. Pedestrian	17	1	16		1	16	4	10	2
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	355	1	80	274	1	115	14	47	54
5. Parked motor vehicle	90		18	72		22	6	11	5
6. Railroad train									
7. Bicyclist	8		8			8	2	5	1
8. Animal	1			1					
9. Fixed object	30		7	23		7	2	3	2
10. Other object	1		1			1	1		
11. Other non-collision									
12. Misc.	2			1					
Totals	516	3	135	378	3	174	29	78	67

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, dislocated member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury; or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF **Urban** ACCIDENTS

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3. Pedestrian	15		15	49	2	47	50		53	+Inf
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	407	1	131	2029	4	540	2199	3	498	+33
5. Parked motor vehicle	84		18	354	2	57	363		40	+Inf
6. Railroad train				5		3	3			NC
7. Bicyclist	2		2	13		13	4		4	NC
8. Animal				1			5		3	NC
9. Fixed object	49		20	153		45	197		67	NC
10. Other object				2		3	2			NC
11. Other non-collision	1			1			1			NC
12. Misc.	1			5	1	2	4		1	NC
Totals	565	2	191	2660	9	730	2893	4	699	+125

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4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
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6.			

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0. Midnight	15						2				5		7		1			
1. 1:00	14		3		1		1				1		4		4			
2. 2:00	12		2								3		7					
3. 3:00	9				2				1				5		1			
4. 4:00	2		1										1					
5. 5:00	3						1		1						1			
6. 6:00	3		2						1									
7. 7:00	17		1		4		3		4		4		1					
8. 8:00	17		2		7		2				5		1					
9. 9:00	18	1	2		4		2		3		2		4	1		1		
10. 10:00	19		1		2				2		5		6		3			
11. 11:00	14		2		4		1				1		5		1			
12. Noon	32		4		5		5		7		5		5		1			
13. 1:00	31		4		4		3		5		3		6		6			
14. 2:00	30		3		5		4		5		5		5		3			
15. 3:00	40	1	4		7		5		8		7	1	6		3			
16. 4:00	38		5		5		5		10		6		4		3			
17. 5:00	38		7		6		6		4		8		3		4			
18. 6:00	25		4		4		3		4		2		5		3			
19. 7:00	26		3		2		5		5		3		6		2			
20. 8:00	40		3		2		7		4		11		9		4			
21. 9:00	30		2		2		2		6		9		8		1			
22. 10:00	25	1	1		2	1	2		6		5		7		2			
23. 11:00	18		2		1		2				5		6		2			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	516	3	58		69	1	61		76		95	1	111	1	46			

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	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										4	2	2	2	1	1			
2. 5 to 9	1	1								18	10	8	7	3	4	7	5	2
3. 10 to 14										4	2	2	2		2	1	1	
4. 15 to 19	1	1		1	1					37	18	19	1		1			
5. 20 to 24										28	16	12	1		1			
6. 25 to 34										32	22	10	1	1				
7. 35 to 44										11	6	5						
8. 45 to 54	1		1							13	7	6						
9. 55 to 64										18	11	7	1		1			
10. 65 to 74										9	2	7	1	1				
11. 75 & older																		
12. Not stated																		
Totals	3	2	1	1	1	1				174	96	78	16	6	10	8	2	2

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWD MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Following at angle	137		32	105
2a. From same direction - both going straight	8		2	6
b. Same - one turn, one straight	19		3	16
c. Same - one stopped	28		13	15
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	1		1	
b. Same - one left turn, and straight	26		5	21
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	219		55	164

B. TWD MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	9		1	8
2. Going same direction - both moving	28	1	7	20
3a. One car parked	90		18	72
b. One car stopped in traffic	60		14	46
4a. One car entering parked position	2		2	
b. One car leaving parked position	13		1	12
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	9		2	7
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	17		1	16
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	228	1	44	183

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	18	1		1	17	7	10
2. Car turning right	1				1		1
3. Car turning left							
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	19	1		1	18	7	11

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with:				
1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	1		1	
2. Fixed object in road	9		1	8
3. Overturned in road	1		1	
4. Left road	3		2	1
Collision with:				
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	5		5	
6. Fixed object in road	22		6	16
7. Overturned in road				
Left:				
8. At curve	1		1	
road:				
9. Straight road	5		1	4
10. Full front moving vehicle				
11. All others	3	1	1	1
12. Not stated				
Totals	50	1	18	31

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection		6		2		1	1		1	1	
b. Same - not at intersection		16	2	12	1			1			
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic											
b. Same - against traffic		1			1						
3. Standing in roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway	1	1				1					
7. Playing in roadway		1			1						
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated											
Totals	1	25	2	14	3	2	1	1	1	1	

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	22		2
2. 16	46		13
3. 17	59	1	16
4. 18 to 19	101		24
5. 20 to 24	164		39
6. 25 to 34	143	1	52
7. 35 to 44	117	1	27
8. 45 to 54	106	1	19
9. 55 to 64	67		16
10. 65 to 74	37		8
11. 75 & older	15		3
12. Not stated	5		2
Totals	879	4	221

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	640	2	170
2. Female	239		51
3. Not stated			
Totals	879	4	221

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	821	2	207
2. Residing elsewhere in state	37	2	10
3. Unusually distant	15		2
4. Not stated	6		2
Totals	879	4	221

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	89.4	3	215
2. Passenger car and trailer			
3. Truck or truck tractor	67	1	19
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	7		2
5. Other truck combination			
6. Taxis	6		3
7. Bus	3		1
8. School bus			
9. Motorcycle	9		8
10. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
11. Others and not stated	1		
Totals	987	4	248

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	429	3	115
2. Wet	69		16
3. Snowy or icy	18		4
4. Other			
5. Not stated			
Totals	516	3	135

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Buildup	515	3	135
2. Not buildup	1		
3. Not stated			
Totals	516	3	135

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	321	2	83
2. Dusk or dusk	15		2
3. Darkness	180	1	50
4. Not stated			
Totals	516	3	135

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled as follows from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	99		28
2. Failed to yield right of way	90		15
3. Drove left of center	2		1
4. Improper overtaking	4		1
5. Passed stop sign	15		2
6. Obeyed red traffic signal			
7. Followed too closely	25		10
8. Made improper turn	9		
9. Other improper driving	2		
10. Inadequate brakes	7		3
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	12		4
Totals	265		65

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF URBAN ACCIDENTS

PERIOD APRIL - 1966

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	427	3	118
3. Raining	39		11
4. Snowing	30		4
5. Fog	1		
6. Other	19		2
Total	516	3	135

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	456	2	116
3. Straight road—hillcrest	2		1
4. Straight road—on grade	43	1	13
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	10		1
7. Curve—hillcrest			
8. Curve—on grade	3		2
9. Curve—not stated	2		2
Total	516	3	135

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	110	1	38
2. Farmers or farm laborers	25		5
3. Students	222	1	58
4. Sales persons	31		10
5. Commercial drivers	35	1	11
6. Military personnel	9		
7. Housewives & domestic servants	135	1	25
8. Retired & pensioners	39		7
9. All other workers	273		67
Total	879	4	221

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Received classroom training in school	47	3	12
3. Received behind the wheel training	10		3
4. Received both classes of training	6		
5. No driver training	37		9
Total	448	1	113
Total	548	4	137

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. HBD—obviously drunk	10		2
3. HBD—ability impaired	10		3
4. HBD—ability not impaired	9		3
5. HBD—not known if impaired	18		2
6. Had not been drinking	20		11
7. Not known if drinking	467	3	111
Total	14	1	5
Total	548	4	137

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders			
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	6		1
4. Loose material on surface	3		
5. Under construction or repair	1		1
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other	1		
8. No defects	309	3	85
Total	320	3	87

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Equipped with in use	27	3	5
3. Equipped with not in use	42		4
4. Not equipped with	135	1	29
Total	344	4	99
1. Not stated			
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	548	4	137
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	132	4	27
4. SB did not or could not have helped	18		13
Total	394	4	97
Total	548	4	137

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	280	1	69
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	40	2	18
3. Not stated			
Total	320	3	87
1. Not stated			
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	67	1	18
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	27		6
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	5		2
5. No speed violation	449	3	11
Total	548	4	137
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	4		2
2. Hit & run accidents	2		1

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA
(State)For APRIL 1966
(Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons					Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents. a. Bleeding wound, dislocated member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene. b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement. c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured				
							Total	a	b	c	
Motor Vehicle:											
1. Ran off road		235	6	112	117	8	189	85	54	50	
2. Overturned on road		10	1	4	5	1	6		4	2	
3. Pedestrian		1	1			1					
4. Motor vehicle in traffic		175	2	60	113	2	122	34	62	26	
5. Parked motor vehicle		23		3	20		3		3		
6. Railroad train											
7. Bicyclist		1		1			1		1		
8. Animal		30		2	28		3		2	1	
9. Fixed object		66	3	15	48	5	24	11	12	1	
10. Other object											
11. Other non-collision											
12. Misc.		2			2						
Totals		543	13	197	333	17	348	130	138	80	

SUMMARY OF Rural ACCIDENTS

Leads reportable accidents are those involving fatal bodily injury or property damage of

\$ 100.00.☐ In the accident☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

August 30, 1966

REPORT PREPARED BY

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Montana Highway Patrol

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Second
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	202	5	138	777	15	475	960	18	513	- 175
2. Overturned on road	7		7	27	2	17	34	1	21	+100
3. Pedestrian	7	3	4	17	5	14	55	4	53	+ 25
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	192	5	125	913	23	490	2784	31	850	- 251
5. Parked motor vehicle	16		2	75		18	364	1	32	+inf
6. Railroad train	2		2	7	3	12	18	1	8	+200
7. Bicyclist				2		2	3	1	2	+inf
8. Animal	38		2	116	1	7	124		12	-100
9. Fixed object	30		15	266	15	125	268	1	106	+ 07
10. Other object	5			2			11	1	2	-100
11. Other non-collision	2		1						1	NC
12. Misc.	3			8	1	1	9	1	2	NC
Totals	504	13	296	2210	65	1161	4632	60	1602	+ 08

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	65	60	+ .08
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)		NA	
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles		NA	
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles		NA	
5. Fatal Accidents	47	48	- .02

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8. Total urban												
1. Controlled access highway	15	1	10	4	1	19						
2. State routes	315	9	122	184	11	228						
3. County routes	213	3	65	145	5	101						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	543	13	197	333	17	348						
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
6. Midnight	27		4		5				2		3		5		8			
1. 1:00	23	1	1		3		5		2		2		7	1	3			
2. 2:00	23	1	1		1		1		7		2		5		6	1		
3. 3:00	9		1						1		2		2		3			
4. 4:00	11						1		2		3		2		3			
5. 5:00	9		1								1		3		4			
6. 6:00	7		2		1		1		1				1		1			
7. 7:00	18		1		2		3		1		5		3		3			
8. 8:00	17				1		3		1		7		4		1			
9. 9:00	14		3		3		1		2		1		4					
10. 10:00	22		3		1		3		2		2		9		2			
11. 11:00	16		2		1		2		3		4		2		2			
12. Noon	22		1		3		3		4		2		8		1			
13. 1:00	18		3		3		2		3		1		5		1			
14. 2:00	21		2		1		3		5		4		4		2			
15. 3:00	22	1	2		1		1		4		7		5	1	2			
16. 4:00	39	1	6		4		7		4		8	1	5		5			
17. 5:00	35	1	5		7		1		6		6		5	1	5			
18. 6:00	25	2	3		3		4	1	2		7		3	1	3			
19. 7:00	27	3	3		4	1	4		3		6	1	3	1	4			
20. 8:00	33		8		1		1		4		4		8		7			
21. 9:00	38		5		1		3		5		3	1	12		6	1		
22. 10:00	33		1		6		2		5		7		12					
23. 11:00	34	1	4		5		1				13	1	10					
24. Not stated																		
Totals	543	13	62		60	1	52	1	70		100	4	127	5	72	2		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										6	2	4						
2. 5 to 9										10	4	6						
3. 10 to 14										13	9	4						
4. 15 to 19	2	1	1							86	61	25				1	1	
5. 20 to 24	1	1								65	49	16						
6. 25 to 34	1	1								62	35	27						
7. 35 to 44	3	3								47	34	13						
8. 45 to 54	3	2	1	1	1					28	17	11						
9. 55 to 64	2	1	1							14	9	5						
10. 65 to 74										11	6	5						
11. 75 & older										6	6							
12. Not stated																		
Totals	17	13	4	1	1					348	232	116				1	1	

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	40		14	26
2a. From same direction - both going straight				
b. Same - one turn, one straight				
c. Same - one stopped				
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight				
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	18		5	13
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	58		19	39

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	30	1	14	15
2. Going same direction - both moving	63	1	18	44
3a. One car parked	23		3	20
b. One car stopped in traffic	15		8	7
4a. One car entering parked position	1		1	
b. One car leaving parked position	5			
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	4		1	3
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	3			3
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	144	2	44	98

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	2	1		1	1	1	
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left							
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	2	1		1	1	1	

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with				
1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	1		1	
2. Fixed object in road				
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	7		2	5
Collision with				
5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.				
6. Fixed object in road	64	2	14	48
7. Overturned in road	12	2	4	6
8. At curve	92	4	46	42
9. Straight road	132	2	64	66
10. Fell from moving vehicle				
11. All others	31		2	29
12. Not stated				
Totals	339	10	133	196

7 PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed		Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Total		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection												
b. Same - not at intersection	1	2				1				1		
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic												
b. Same - against traffic												
3. Standing in roadway												
4. Getting on or off other vehicle												
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway												
6. Other walking in roadway												
7. Playing in roadway												
8. Other in roadway												
9. Not in roadway												
10. Not stated												
Totals	1	2				1				1		

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	20	1	6
2. 16	29		9
3. 17	42	1	9
4. 18 to 19	62	2	31
5. 20 to 24	138	3	44
6. 25 to 34	146	2	57
7. 35 to 44	123	3	48
8. 45 to 54	82	3	27
9. 55 to 64	51	1	20
10. 65 to 74	26		9
11. 75 & older	15		6
12. Not stated			
Totals	734	16	266

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	630	14	220
2. Female	104	2	46
3. Not stated			
Totals	734	16	266

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	596	10	215
2. Residing elsewhere in state	96	5	36
3. Unsubscribed of state	42	1	15
4. Not stated			
Totals	734	16	266

12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	637	13	226
2. Passenger car and trailer	1		
3. Truck or truck tractor	83	2	25
4. Truck tractor and semitrailer	8	1	3
5. Other truck combination	27		14
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	2		1
7. Trolley			
8. Bus			
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	3		3
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle	2		2
12. Others and not stated	2		2
Totals	765	16	276
Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)			
14. Military vehicles			
15. Other publicly owned vehicles			

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	418	11	151
2. Wet	70	2	27
3. Snowy or icy	52		18
4. Other	3		1
5. Not stated			
Totals	543	13	197

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Buildup	1		
2. Non buildup	542	13	197
3. Not stated			
Totals	543	13	197

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	275	6	107
2. Dawn or dusk	32	1	6
3. Darkness	236	6	84
4. Not stated			
Totals	543	13	197

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11 CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	182	1	86
2. Failed to yield right of way	34		6
3. Drove left of center	20	1	6
4. Improper overtaking	5		1
5. Passed stop sign	1		1
6. Disregarded traffic signal			
7. Followed too closely	8		2
8. Made improper turn	7		3
9. Other improper driving	6		2
10. Inadequate brakes			
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	21	7	8
Totals	284	9	115

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF RURAL

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD APRIL - 1966

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	383	8	137
3. Raining	19		9
4. Snowing	65	1	24
5. Fog	1		
6. Other	75	4	27
Total	543	13	197

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	331	7	112
3. Straight road—hilly	13		6
4. Straight road—on grade	82		32
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	53	2	20
7. Curve—hilly	6		3
8. Curve—on grade	41	2	21
9. Curve—not stated	17	1	3
Total	543	13	197

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	62	1	26
2. Farmers or farm laborers	62		19
3. Students	121	4	44
4. Sales persons	29	1	9
5. Commercial drivers	57	2	21
6. Military personnel	28		9
7. Housewives & domestic servants	71		30
8. Retired & pensioners	26		9
9. All other workers	278	8	99
Total	734	16	266

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	492	15	200
2. Received classroom training in school			
3. Received behind the wheel training	15		7
4. Received both classes of training	62	1	24
5. No driver training			
Total	569	16	231

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	14	1	3
2. HBD—obviously drunk	9	1	5
3. HBD—ability impaired	45	6	22
4. HBD—ability not impaired	16	1	5
5. HBD—not known if impaired	54		21
6. Had not been drinking	377	4	153
7. Not known if drinking	54	3	22
Total	569	16	231

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	4		3
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	6		3
4. Loose material on surface	30	2	6
5. Under construction or repair	8		5
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other	4		2
8. No defects	372	11	154
Total	424	13	173

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	14	1	2
2. Equipped with in use	82	1	27
3. Equipped with not in use	94	4	36
4. Not equipped with	379	10	166
Total	569	16	231
1. Not stated	62	3	20
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	162	6	102
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	61		22
4. SB did not or could not have helped	284	7	87
Total	569	16	231

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	332	11	137
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	88	2	35
3. Not stated	4		1
Total	424	13	173
1. Not stated	15	1	7
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	120	8	65
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	24		7
5. No speed violation	410	7	152
Total	569	16	231
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	7		5
2. Hit & run accidents			

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